SENATE BILL 1709

By Woodson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 13, relative to public charter schools.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 13, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

49-13-135. In any LEA in which one (1) or more charter schools operates, the LEA shall catalog each year all vacant properties owned or operated by the LEA and all vacant space within any educational facility owned or operated by the LEA. The LEA shall submit a comprehensive listing of all such properties and space to the department of education. The department shall make an LEA's list available to any charter school operating in the LEA or to any sponsor seeking to establish a public charter school in the LEA.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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